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Statement from Governor Jan Brewer
Lowering the Flags in Honor of Fallen Chandler Police Officer

"I am deeply saddened to learn of the tragic on-duty death of Chandler Police Officer David Payne. Officer Payne, a seven-year veteran of the Department, was working the overnight DUI patrol when his motorcycle was rear-ended while stopped at a red light.

"A dedicated member of the DUI Traffic Unit, Officer Payne will be remembered for his passion for protecting and serving his community. I send my sincere condolences to the Chandler Police Department as it says goodbye to a colleague and friend, as well as to all Arizona police officers who knowingly and willingly put their lives on the line in their noble mission to keep us safe. My thoughts and prayers also go out to his beloved wife and child as they cope with their unimaginable loss.

"In honor of Officer David Payne, I have requested that all state flags be lowered to half-staff until sunset today, October 31, 2014, and on the day of his interment, for which services are pending."

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